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### Environmental Protection Agency

**Job Title:** Environmental Engineer/Environmental Scientist, GS-819/1301-12/13**Agency:** Environmental Protection Agency**Job Announcement Number:** LV-R10-MP-2013-0007

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LV-R10-MP-2013-0007**Control Number:** 331838800

**This position is closed and no longer accepting online applications through USAJOBS.**

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<b>SALARY RANGE:</b>	\$73,420.00 to \$113,496.00 / Per Year
<b>OPEN PERIOD:</b>	Wednesday, November 21, 2012 to Wednesday, December 12, 2012
<b>SERIES &amp; GRADE:</b>	GS-0819/1301-12/13
<b>POSITION INFORMATION:</b>	Full-time - Permanent
<b>PROMOTION POTENTIAL:</b>	13
<b>DUTY LOCATIONS:</b>	3 vacancies in the following location: Seattle, WA, US <a href="#">View Map</a>
<b>WHO MAY APPLY:</b>	Current permanent EPA employees in Region 10 with competitive status and CTAP eligibles.

**JOB SUMMARY:**

Earth Day is every day at EPA! Our diverse workforce connects to more than just a career-we share a common passion to promote a cleaner, healthier environment. We consistently rank as one of the top Federal agencies in which to work, with great benefits and work flexibilities. See more about us here: <http://www.epa.gov>.

This position is located in Region 10, Office of Compliance and Enforcement, Inspection and Enforcement Unit in Seattle, WA.

For more information on this office, visit their website:

<http://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/region10.html>

**KEY REQUIREMENTS**

- EPA and non-EPA applicants must submit transcripts/course listings.
- You may be required to travel 1 to 5 days per month.
- Position has portable work and selectee may be eligible to telework.
- If you are selected, a pre-employment background check is required.
- You must submit resume and required documents(See How to Apply)

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You will: Serve as compliance inspector for inspections for a variety of regulatory programs. Plan and conduct inspections. Gather evidence to document compliance with the Clean Water Act and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act regulations as well as requirements of other federal environmental statutes. Routinely takes environmental samples at inspection sites. Prepare detailed inspection reports. Train, Coach and mentor inspectors in the Unit and across the region. Oversee and monitor the work of other inspectors and determine training and resources needs for inspectors.

**QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:**[Back to top](#)

You need a degree or combination of education and experience as described below to qualify for this position.

In addition to the educational requirements, we are looking for at least one year of specialized experience related to this position as described below:

To qualify for the GS-12 level, you need to have at least one year of full time experience defined as preparing reports and statements which include options and recommendations for management AND experience coaching and mentoring team members through feedback discussions and fostering improved support to the organization.

To qualify for the GS-13 level, you need to have at least one year of full time experience defined as independently preparing reports and statements which include options and recommendations for management AND experience coaching and mentoring team members through feedback discussions to assist with their professional development and fostering improved support to the organization.

Your answers to the on-line assessment will be used to evaluate your competencies in the following areas:

- Knowledge of the Clean Water Act.
- Knowledge of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.
- Ability to conduct compliance inspections.
- Ability to plan compliance inspections.
- Ability to determine resource needs for inspections.
- Ability to coach and mentor employees with varied backgrounds.
- Ability to communicate technical information in writing.
- Ability to communicate technical information orally.

**Environmental Engineer:** Degree: professional engineering. To be acceptable, the curriculum must: (1) be in a school of engineering with at least one curriculum accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) as a professional engineering curriculum; or (2) include differential and integral calculus and courses (more advanced than first-year physics and chemistry) in five of the following seven areas of engineering science or physics: (a) statics, dynamics; (b) strength of materials (stress-strain relationships); (c) fluid mechanics, hydraulics; (d) thermodynamics; (e) electrical fields and circuits; (f) nature and properties of materials (relating particle and aggregate structure to properties); and (g) any other comparable area of fundamental engineering science or physics, such as optics, heat transfer, soil mechanics, or electronics. OR Combination of education and experience -- college-level education, training, and/or technical experience that furnished (1) a thorough knowledge of the physical and mathematical sciences underlying professional engineering, and (2) a good understanding, both theoretical and practical, of the engineering sciences and techniques and their applications to one of the branches of engineering. The adequacy of such background must be demonstrated by one of the following:

1. *Professional registration* -- Current registration as a professional engineer by any State, the District of Columbia, Guam, or Puerto Rico. Absent other means of qualifying under this standard, those applicants who achieved such registration by means other than written test (e.g., State grandfather or eminence provisions) are eligible only for positions that are within or closely related to the specialty field of their registration. For example, an applicant who attains registration through a State Board's eminence provision as a manufacturing engineer typically would be rated eligible only for manufacturing engineering positions. 2. *Written Test* -- Evidence of having successfully passed the Engineer-in-Training (EIT) examination, or the written test required for professional registration, which is administered by the Boards of Engineering Examiners in the various States, the District of Columbia, Guam, and Puerto Rico. 3. Applicants who have passed the EIT examination and have completed all the requirements for either (a) a bachelor's degree in engineering technology (BET) from an accredited college or university that included 60 semester hours of courses in the physical, mathematical, and engineering sciences, or (b) a BET from a program accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) may be rated eligible for certain engineering positions at GS-5. Eligibility is limited to positions that are within or closely related to the specialty field of the engineering technology program. Applicants for positions that involve highly technical research, development, or similar functions requiring an advanced level of competence in basic science must meet the basic requirements in paragraph A. 4. Because of the diversity in kind and quality of BET programs, graduates of other BET programs are required to complete at least 1 year of additional education or highly technical work experience of such nature as to provide reasonable assurance of the possession of the knowledge, skills, and abilities required for professional

engineering competence. The adequacy of this background must be demonstrated by passing the EIT examination. 5. *Specified academic courses* -- Successful completion of at least 60 semester hours of courses in the physical, mathematical, and engineering sciences and in engineering that included the courses specified in the basic requirements. The courses must be fully acceptable toward meeting the requirements of a professional engineering curriculum as described in paragraph A. 6. *Related curriculum* -- Successful completion of a curriculum leading to a bachelor's degree in engineering technology or in an appropriate professional field, e.g., physics, chemistry, architecture, computer science, mathematics, hydrology, or geology, may be accepted in lieu of a degree in engineering, provided the applicant has had at least 1 year of professional engineering experience acquired under professional engineering supervision and guidance. Ordinarily there should be either an established plan of intensive training to develop professional engineering competence, or several years of prior professional engineering-type experience, e.g., in interdisciplinary positions. (The above examples of related curricula are not all-inclusive.)

**Environmental Scientist:** You must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited or pre-accredited college or university in one of the following: Physical science, engineering, or mathematics that included 24 semester hours in physical science and/or related engineering science such as mechanics, dynamics, properties of materials, and electronics; OR a combination of education and experience with education equivalent to one of the majors listed that included at least 24 semester hours in physical science and/or related engineering science.

As part of the application process, you are required to submit college transcripts or a list of courses as described in the Required Documents section of this announcement. However, if you are selected, you must provide official educational transcripts before you start work with EPA. More information on verification of education can be found here:  
[http://epa.gov/ohr/ezhire/vacancy\\_requirements.htm](http://epa.gov/ohr/ezhire/vacancy_requirements.htm)

This position is designated as Moderate Risk and requires a background investigation. Unless an appropriate background investigation is already on record with the Office of Personnel Management, you must undergo a background investigation.

You must meet time in grade requirements no later than 30 calendar days after the closing date of this announcement.

#### HOW YOU WILL BE EVALUATED:

We will review your resume and required documents to ensure you meet the basic qualification requirements. Your resume must address the knowledge, skills, and abilities listed in the Qualifications Section. If you meet basic qualification requirements, your application will be further evaluated based on your answers to the on-line assessment. Your responses to the on-line assessment will be used to measure the degree to which your background matches the requirements for the position and an applicable score assigned.

We will compare your resume and supporting documentation to your responses on the assessment questionnaire. If you rate yourself higher than is supported by your application materials, your responses may be adjusted and/or you may be excluded from consideration for this job. We will evaluate your qualifications and eligibility and notify you if you meet minimum qualification requirements.

NOTE: We do not require a separate statement responding to the competencies, also referred to as Knowledge, Skills and Abilities (KSAs). However, your resume should clearly show possession of these competencies.

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#### BENEFITS:

Benefits will not change for current permanent EPA employees.

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#### OTHER INFORMATION:

This position is in the bargaining unit.

Are you a Displaced Federal Employee? If so, please read the Required Documents and visit the EPA website for additional information [http://epa.gov/ohr/ezhire/vacancy\\_requirements.htm](http://epa.gov/ohr/ezhire/vacancy_requirements.htm).

This information is used to determine your qualifications for employment. The use of this information is authorized under Title 5 USC, Sections 3302 and 3361.

If you are selected, travel, transportation, and relocation expenses will not be paid by EPA. Any travel, transportation, and relocation expenses associated with reporting to work in this position will be your responsibility.

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You are strongly encouraged to read the entire announcement before you submit your application for this position. To begin the application process, click the Apply On-line button to the right on this screen, follow the prompts to log-in/register, submit all required documents, and complete the assessment questionnaire. To be considered, you must submit a complete application package by 11:59 PM Eastern time on the closing date of this announcement. All required supporting documents will be collected electronically via the USA Jobs document portfolio feature.

If you cannot apply on-line, you must contact the Human Resources Office listed to the right for assistance no later than three business days prior to the closing date of this announcement. You must provide complete application materials by the closing date of this announcement.

For detailed instructions to assist you in ensuring your application package is received, go to [http://epa.gov/ohr/ezhire/vacancy\\_requirements.htm](http://epa.gov/ohr/ezhire/vacancy_requirements.htm).

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:**

Documents to be submitted on-line:

- Resume clearly stating your experience related to this position as described in the Duties Section and Qualifications Required Section. In describing your experience, you need to be clear and specific. We may not make assumptions regarding your experience.
- Responses to the on-line assessment questionnaire
- College transcripts - required to submit either unofficial transcripts or a list of courses that includes school(s) attended, school address, course title, grades earned, completion dates, department, and quarter or semester hours earned.
- Displaced Federal employees under CTAP - copy of your most recent performance appraisal, proof of eligibility, and your most current SF-50 noting position, grade level, tenure, and duty station.
- Current EPA Employees: You are encouraged to submit a Notification of Personnel Action (SF-50). If you fail to provide an SF-50, we will access your Federal employment records in e-OPF to verify your eligibility to be considered. If your eligibility for consideration cannot be determined, your application will be rated ineligible.

If you want to know more about submitting documentation to our office, visit EPA's web site: [http://epa.gov/ohr/ezhire/vacancy\\_requirements.htm](http://epa.gov/ohr/ezhire/vacancy_requirements.htm)

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**WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT:**

You can track the progress of your application package via your USAJobs account. You will receive an acknowledgement from USAJobs that your submission was successful, once we have received your on-line occupational questionnaire, resume and any supporting documentation. You will be notified of the status of your application via your USAJobs Account after we conduct a qualification review of your complete application package. You will be contacted if further evaluation or interviews are required. Any exaggeration of your experience, false statements, or attempt to conceal information may disqualify you for employment consideration. We may verify all information you provide in your resume and questionnaire responses, through reference and/or background check, and/or verification of your education. If you are selected, you will be contacted personally by the human resources office posting this announcement.

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